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Khadi Artisans
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Will the Minister of MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Khadi artisans in the country at present, State/UT-wise;

(b) the target and objective of Workshed Scheme for Khadi Artisans (WSKA) along with the present status of its implementation in the country; and

(c) the number of persons benefited under the said scheme in the country at present, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a): State/UT-wise number of Khadi workers under Khadi is placed at Annexure-I.

(b): Workshed Scheme for Khadi Artisans is being implemented by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) since 2008-09 for providing financial assistance to Khadi artisans belonging to BPL Category for construction of worksheds. The objective of the scheme is to provide better workplace for spinners and weavers, providing more working space and storage for housing slivers, raw materials, implements, etc. and improving efficiency and productivity of the spinners through electricity connections for lighting.

Assistance for construction of worksheds is provided through the Khadi Institutions (KIs) with which the Khadi artisans are associated and the quantum of assistance is as under:

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Component Area per unit Amount of Assistance
Construction of individual workshed 20 sq. mts. (approximately) Rs.60,000/- or 75% of the actual cost of the workshed, whichever is less.
For North Eastern Region (NER) Rs.60,000/- or 90% of the actual cost of workshed, whichever is less.
Construction of group workshed (min. 5 & max. 15 artisans) 10 sq. mts.
per artisan Rs.40,000/- or 75% of the actual cost of the workshed per artisan, whichever is less. For NER Rs.40,000/- or 90% of the actual cost of workshed per artisan, whichever is less.
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â€¢ Cost of land will not be the part of the project cost.
â€¢ Financial assistance will be for the purpose of construction only.
â€¢ Remaining 25% is to be borne by beneficiary and for group by institution.
Implementation status of the Scheme:
39776 number of spinners and weavers have been covered under Khadi Workshed scheme since inception to 2016-17 (as on 28.02.2017)

(c): State/UT-wise details of number of beneficiaries under Khadi Workshed Scheme in the country since inception is placed at Annexure-II.